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This information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in addition to the Information Disclosure Statements filed on July 16, 2003, and December 23, 2003. To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a Final action, Quayle action, a Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in this application. Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), this Information Disclosure Statement includes a certification as specified by Section 1.97(e).

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner, Registered Japanese Utility Model No. 3021630 and Japanese Patent

Application KOKAI Publication No. 2000-056858. Copies of these documents are attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached Form PTO/SD/08.

The documents cited in this Information Disclosure Statement were first cited in the enclosed Office Action issued by the Japanese Patent Office in the corresponding Japanese Patent application. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the mailing date of that Office Action. A copy of the Japanese Office Action is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

In lieu of a statement of relevance or translation of the non-English documents, an English language version of the Office Action from the Japanese Patent Office is enclosed. Applicant does not necessarily endorse the conclusions set forth in the Office Action issued by the Japanese Patent Office. Applicant also encloses for the Examiner's convenience, an English language abstract of KOKAI Publication No. 2000-056858 and a computer generated English language translation of Japanese Utility Model Application No. 3021630.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitutes "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicant determines

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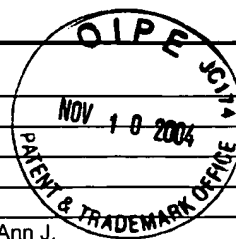
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